

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Thomas S. Sanicola Modine Manufacturing Company 1500 DeKoven Avenue Racine, WI 53403-2552

27 APR 2004

Dear Mr. Sanicola:

RE:

RCRA Corrective Action

Environmental Indicator Status for

Modine Manufacturing

Camdenton, MO

EPA RCRA ID No. MOD062439351

The United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Region 7, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Program, in consultation with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources is working with the Office of Solid Waste to measure progress at high-priority corrective action facilities by establishing tangible environmental goals. These goals are known as Environmental Indicators (EIs). For Corrective Action, the Agency's goals are that, by the end of the federal fiscal year (September 30, 2005), 95% of high priority RCRA facilities will have controlled human exposures to releases of hazardous waste and hazardous constituents (CA725) and 70% of high priority RCRA facilities will have controlled the migration of contaminated groundwater (CA750). The list of high priority facilities is known as the RCRA Corrective Action Baseline. EPA Region 7 has listed 100 facilities (one of which is yours) on the baseline.

Attaining the EI goals is a high priority within EPA and the RCRA program. These EIs are used to summarize and report on the site-wide environmental conditions at the RCRA CA Program's highest priority sites (i.e., those on RCRA Cleanup Baseline). These EIs are being used to track the RCRA program's progress on getting our highest priority contaminated sites under control and report to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), U.S. Congress, and the public.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you, that to date, the EI evaluations CA725 (Human Exposure Under Control) and CA750 (Migration of Contaminated Groundwater Under Control) have not been attained at Modine Manufacturing. Based on EPA's knowledge of site conditions we are projecting that the environmental indicator CA725 may be attained by FY2004 and that CA750 may not be attained by FY2005.

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The EPA would like to emphasize that the EI's are a means of evaluating and reporting on the acceptability of current site conditions (i.e., they are interim milestones and not final remedy or site closure goals) and are an opportunity for facilities and regulators (MDNR & EPA) to show meaningful progress that is achievable in the near future. Although it is the responsibility of the lead regulator to make the final EI determination, facilities or their consultants may assist the lead regulator in the evaluation by providing information on the current environmental conditions and may even assist by filling out the EI forms and making recommendations for the determination.

The EPA encourages open communication between the lead regulator and the facility representatives and would like to work with you toward attaining EI(s) at your site. Please contact David Garrett, EPA Region 7 at 913-551-7159 to discuss the status of EI attainment at your site and any assistance that we might provide to you to attain the EI(s).

Sincerely,

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